REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated April 27, 2004 and the non-final Office Action dated March 11, 2004, Applicants presently cancel claims 39-46, 49, and 54-64 without prejudice in response to the restriction requirement in the March 11, 2004 Office Action.

Claims 9-10, 12-15, 26-27, 29-32, 47-48 and 50-53 have been previously canceled by Applicants' March 10, 2003 Supplemental Response to Election Requirement.

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